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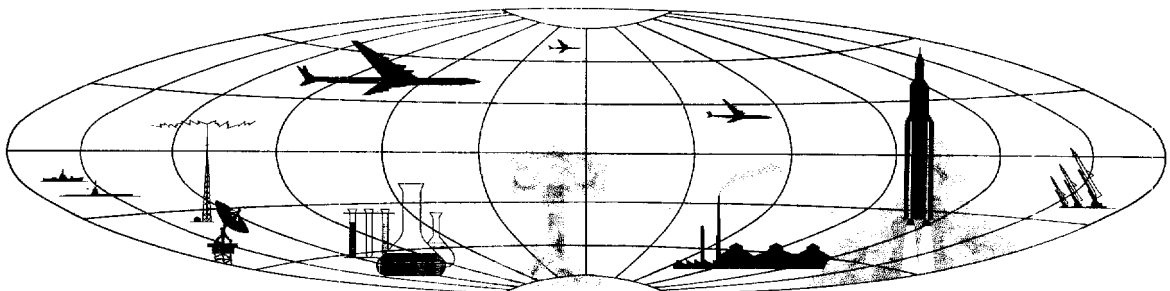
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### IMMEDIATE PHOTOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION REPORT

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION REPRESENTS A PRELIMINARY ANALYSIS OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FROM BRASS KNOB MISSION 3726, DATED 19 SEP 1963. THE NUMBER APPEARING AT THE END OF THE HEADER LINE IS THE COMOR TARGET NUMBER.

SYMBOLS USED TO INDICATE CONDITIONS WHICH AFFECT THE APPEARANCE OF THE TARGET ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY ARE AS FOLLOWS -- C (CLEAR), SC (SCATTERED CLOUDS), HC (HEAVY CLOUDS), H (HAZE), CS (CLOUD SHADOW), SD (SEMIDARKNESS), O (OBLIQUITY), PQ (POOR IMAGE QUALITY).

#### -MISSILES-

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CAIBARIEN SAM SITE 2228N 07929W

SIX UNREVIEWED CANVAS-COVERED LAUNCHERS, ONE PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, ONE CANVAS-COVERED HOLD AREA, ONE CANVAS-COVERED VEHICLE PARK, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED. HAZE LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

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SANCTI SPIRITUS SAM SITE 2147N 07929W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, ONE PROBABLE CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTER, AT LEAST 10 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED. HAZE LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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MANZANILLO SAM SITE 2018N 07706W

SIX REVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 7 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (3 CANVAS-COVERED), AT LEAST 10 CANVAS-COVERED PRIME MOVERS, 2 VAN TRUCKS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE

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REVETMENT OBSERVED.  
HAZE LIMITS INTERPRETATION.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM SITE 1959N 07550W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS, AT LEAST 10 OTHER VEHICLES, AND AN  
OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

25X1D

SANTIAGO DE CUBA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2003N 07553W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-FOUR MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, 4 TRACTOR-TRAILER  
TRUCKS, 28 CARGO TRUCKS, 9 POSSIBLE VAN TRAILERS, AND  
4 MISSILES ON DOLLIES OBSERVED.

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CIEGO DE AVILA SAM SITE 2142N 07850W

SIX UNREVIEWED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 7 MISSILE  
TRANSPORTERS (6 CANVAS-COVERED), 13 TRACKED PRIME  
MOVERS, 3 CARGO TRUCKS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA  
OBSERVED.

25X1D

25X1A

CIEGO DE AVILA SAM ASSEMBLY AREA 2152N 07844W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AT LEAST 20 MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (2 CANVAS-COVERED),  
5 FLATBED TRAILERS, AND NUMEROUS MISSILE CANISTERS  
OBSERVED.  
SEMI-DARKNESS LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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MALDONADO SAM SITE 2012N 07528W

SIX REVETTED LAUNCHERS, AT LEAST 10 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 3 PROBABLE CARGO TRUCKS, 7 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES OR PIECES OF EQUIPMENT, AND AN OCCUPIED CANVAS-COVERED GUIDANCE REVETMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

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CAMAGUEY AIRFIELD SAM SITE 2122N 07750W

SIX UNRETTED LAUNCHERS (3 WITH MISSILES), 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS (WITHOUT PRIME MOVERS), 8 CANVAS-COVERED TRACKED PRIME MOVERS, 6 CARGO TRUCKS, 3 PROBABLE VAN TRUCKS, 6 TRUCK-TRACTORS, 2 VAN TRAILERS, AND AN OCCUPIED GUIDANCE AREA OBSERVED.

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HOLGUIN SAM SITE 2052N 07627W

FOUR LAUNCHERS, 4 CANVAS-COVERED MISSILE TRANSPORTERS, AND AT LEAST 10 TRACKED PRIME MOVERS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA CRUISE-MISSILE STORAGE 2004N 07551W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
TWENTY-SIX CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES OBSERVED.

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-AIRFIELDS-

25X1A

CAMILO CIENFUEGOS AIRFIELD 2229N 07955W

AIRCRAFT -- 13 FAGOT/FRESCO, 2 FARMER, 5 HOUND, AND 2 LIAISON.  
HAZE LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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CAMAGUEY INTERNATIONAL AIRFIELD 2125N 07751W

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AIRCRAFT -- ONE CRATE.

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HOLGUIN AIRFIELD 2048N 07618W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
AIRCRAFT -- 5 FAGOT/FRESCO.

25X1D

ANTONIO MACEO AIRFIELD 1958N 07550W

AIRCRAFT -- ONE COOT, 2 CRATE, 3 LIAISON, AND ONE  
POSSIBLE HOUND.

25X1D

-PORTS-

BARACOA PORT 2021N 07430W

25X1A

NO LARGE VESSELS, MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY  
OBSERVED.

25X1D

CIENFUEGOS PORT 2209N 08027W

VESSELS -- ONE KRONSTADT-CLASS PC, ONE PF, 4 PT (ONE  
ON MARINE RAILWAY), 2 PC, AND 3 LARGE FREIGHTERS  
OBSERVED IN PORT.  
THE CUEVA PLACIDO AREA WAS NOT OBSERVED.

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MANZANILLO PORT 2021N 07707W

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NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

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MOA PORT 2039N 07454W

NO LARGE VESSELS, MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR ACTIVITY  
OBSERVED.

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SANTIAGO DE CUBA PORT 2001N 07550W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.

25X1D

CAIBARIEN PORT 2232N 07928W

NO LARGE VESSELS OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT OBSERVED IN  
CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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CASILDA PORT 2145N 07959W

NO LARGE VESSELS, ACTIVITY OR MILITARY EQUIPMENT  
OBSERVED.

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JUCARO PORT 2137N 07851W

VESSELS -- 2 FREIGHTERS (ONE WITH 3 LIGHTERS  
ALONGSIDE) OBSERVED SOUTH OF PORT.

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PUERTO PADRE PORT 2113N 07632W

VESSELS -- ONE LARGE FREIGHTER AT CAYO JUAN CLARO.

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-MILITARY ACTIVITY-

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GUANTANAMO AREA 1 2005N 07523W

NO NEW MILITARY ACTIVITY OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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MANZANILLO AREA, MILITARY CAMP 2017N 07706W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINETEEN TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AND  
HAZE-FREE AREAS.

25X1D

CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 1 2121N 07751W

FACILITIES INCLUDE 16 BARRACKS AND 11 SUPPORT  
BUILDINGS, 36 LARGE (ONE NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE),  
21 MEDIUM AND 38 SMALL TENTS.  
FORTY-EIGHT VAN TRUCKS, 8 UTILITY TRUCKS, 11 CARGO  
TRUCKS AND APPROXIMATELY 15 OTHER VEHICLES, 2  
TOKEN-TYPE, ONE ROCKCAKE/STONECAKE AND ONE FLATFACE  
RADAR OBSERVED.

25X1D

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AUTO CEDRO, MILITARY CAMP 2029N 07600W

AREA 1 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.  
THREE LARGE TENTS (NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE) AND  
APPROXIMATELY 30 VEHICLES.  
AREA 2 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. FIVE  
VEHICLES.  
AREA 3 -- NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES. THIRTY-  
THREE VEHICLES.  
AREAS 4-9 -- OBLIQUITY PRECLUDES INTERPRETATION.

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CAMAGUEY MILITARY CAMP 2126N 07753W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINETEEN CARGO TRUCKS AND 3 UTILITY TRUCKS OBSERVED.

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EL CRISTO, MILITARY INSTALLATION 2007N 07546W

NO MILITARY ACTIVITY OR EQUIPMENT OBSERVED.  
HAZE LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

ALTAGRACIA, MILITARY AREA 2124N 07742W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
NINE TANKS/SP GUNS OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

MINAS, MILITARY CAMP 2127N 07734W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.  
FOUR LARGE TENTS (NOT OF A KNOWN SOVIET TYPE), 13  
TANKS/SP GUNS, ONE PROBABLE TANK/SP GUN, AND 15 CARGO  
TRUCKS OBSERVED.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

25X1A

DOS CAMINOS MILITARY INSTALLATION 2014N 07547W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES.  
HAZE PRECLUDES FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

25X1D

[REDACTED]

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, MILITARY TRAINING AREA 2002N 07550W

NO APPARENT CHANGE IN PERMANENT FACILITIES.  
TWO LARGE AND 2 MEDIUM TENTS (NONE OF A KNOWN SOVIET  
TYPE), AND 8 CARGO TRUCKS OBSERVED.

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-MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITY-

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MAYARI ARriba MILITARY INSTALLATION 2027N 07531W

NINETEEN CANVAS-COVERED CRUISE-MISSILE CRATES, 11 CANVAS-COVERED CRUISE-MISSILE-RELATED VEHICLES, 9 CARGO TRUCKS, 27 UNIDENTIFIED VEHICLES, AND 15 PIECES OF UNIDENTIFIED EQUIPMENT OR MATERIAL OBSERVED IN CLOUD-FREE AREAS.

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CAYO FRANCES, UNIDENTIFIED ACTIVITY 2238N 07914W

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VESSELS -- ONE FREIGHTER WITH 4 LIGHTERS AND 6 SMALL VESSELS ALONGSIDE, ANCHORED WEST OF CAYO FRANCES. OBLIQUITY LIMITS FURTHER INTERPRETATION.

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-STATUS OF OTHER TARGETS-

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS SHOW NO APPARENT CHANGE SINCE LAST COVERAGE--

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LOS CANOS AIRFIELD  
PRESTON AIRFIELD  
JAIME GONZALES AIRFIELD  
TRINIDAD AIRFIELD  
SIBONEY LANDING BEACH  
PLAYA YATERITAS LANDING BEACH  
MAR VERDE LANDING BEACH

2004N 07509W  
2044N 07539W  
2209N 08025W  
2147N 07959W  
1957N 07542W  
1958N 07457W  
1957N 07557W

25X1D

THE FOLLOWING TARGETS COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED --

25X1A

SAGUA LA GRANDE MRBM SITE 2  
REMEDIOS IRBM SITE  
SAGUA LA GRANDE SAM SITE  
JIGUANI SAM SITE  
MANATI SAM SITE  
CHAMBAS SAM SITE  
CIFUENTES SAM ASSEMBLY AREA  
VICTORIA DE LAS TUNAS SAM ASSEMBLY AREA

2239N 07951W  
2225N 07935W  
2251N 08005W  
2021N 07620W  
2113N 07702W  
2213N 07853W  
2236N 08005W  
2104N 07700W

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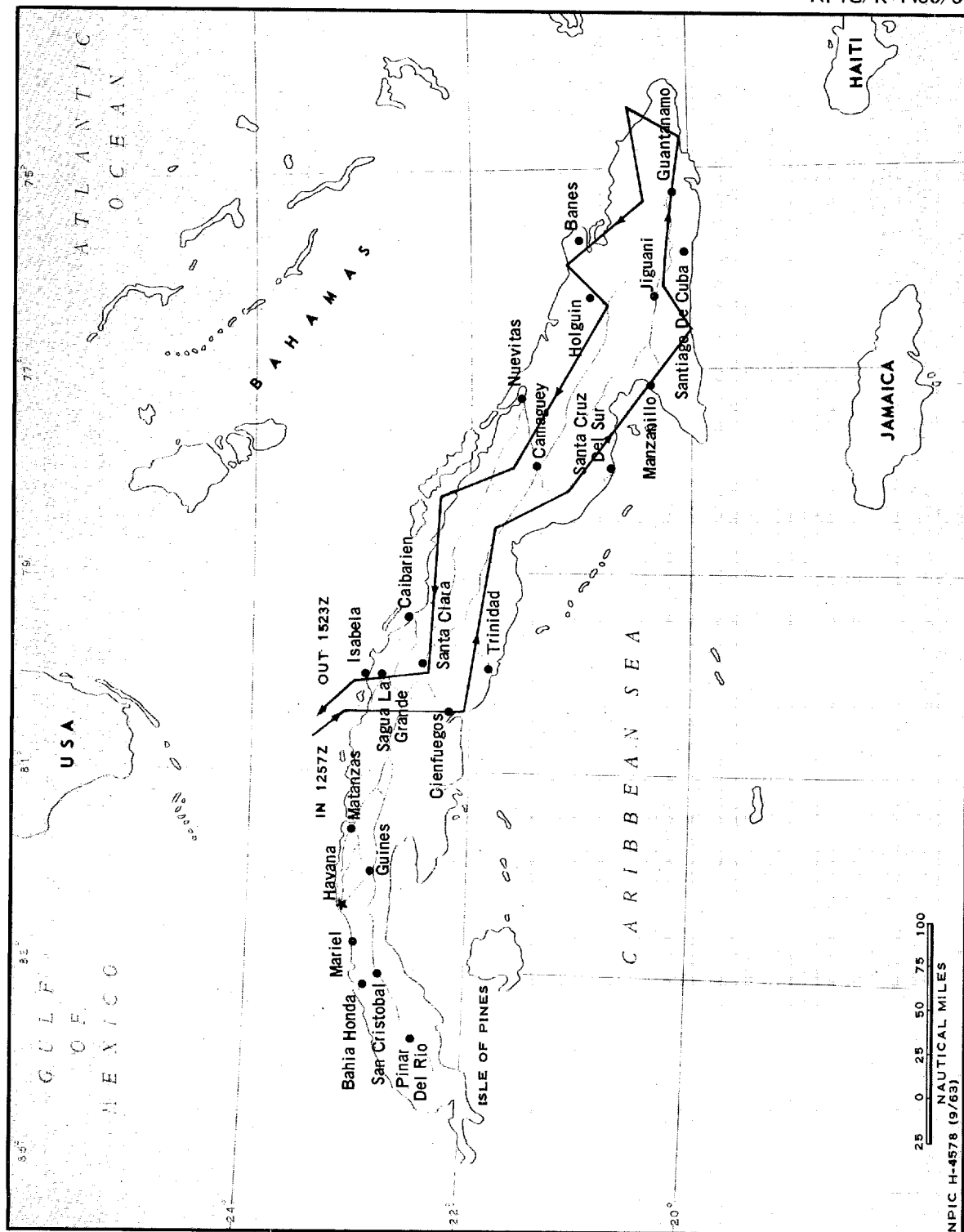
BANES PORT	2055N 07542W
NUEVITAS PORT	2132N 07716W
LA ISABELA PORT	2256N 08001W
HOLGUIN AREA, MILITARY CAMP	2053N 07614W
OFELIA, MILITARY CAMP	2006N 07530W
REMEDIOS MILITARY CAMP	2227N 07934W
SANTA CLARA AREA, MILITARY ACTIVITY	2221N 07957W
HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP SOUTHWEST	2051N 07617W
HOLGUIN MILITARY CAMP NW	2057N 07616W
LA JUTIA AREA, MILITARY INSTALLATION	2155N 08016W
TRINIDAD AREA, POSS MIL HEADQUARTERS	2150N 07953W
MARTI AREA, ARMOR TRAINING AREA	2258N 08059W
SANTA ISABEL FINCA MILITARY CAMP	2005N 07528W
JAGUA, MILITARY AREA	2205N 08029W
LA VEGUITA MILITARY CAMP	2049N 07615W
CHARCO DEL JOBO MILITARY AREA	2047N 07615W
VARADERO LANDING BEACH	2308N 08118W
CIENFUEGOS LANDING BEACH	2202N 08036W
NICARO LANDING BEACH	2042N 07533W
LA ROSITA STORAGE DEPOT BARAJAGUA	2208N 08004W
SANTA CLARA MILITARY INSTALLATION CUBANACAN	2224N 07953W

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